

NOTE

Nomenclatural Changes for North American Saldidae

The following nomenclatural notes are needed for the forthcoming catalogs of North American Heteroptera and the Leptopodomorpha of the world.

***Saldula dispersa* (Uhler) 1842, NEW STATUS**

Salda dispersa Uhler, 1892. Proc. Entomol. Soc. Wash. 2: 383 (Utah).

Saldula ourayi Drake and Hottes, 1949. Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 62: 179 (Type locality: Soap Lake, Washington). NEW SYNONYMY.

In 1955 Drake and Hottes (Bol. Entomol. Venezolana 11: 12) synonymized *Saldula dispersa* (Uhler) with *Saldula arenicola* Scholz, 1847, a synonymy followed by Polhemus and Chapman (1979, Family Saldidae in Menke, Bull. Calif. Ins. Surv. 21: 26). The examination of many specimens of *arenicola* from the Old World shows that *dispersa* Uhler is a separate valid species. Further, a comparison with many specimens, including the type, of *Saldula ourayi* Drake and Hottes dictates the synonymy of the latter.

A specimen of *dispersa* in the U.S. National Museum of Natural History bears three labels: "Salt Lake, 14-6-91, Ut" (printed except date); "Cotype NO. 25 239, U.S.N.M." (red, printed except for co-); "Salda dispersa Uhler 772" (handwritten). This specimen is hereby designated lectotype, and my lectotype label added.

***Micracanthia bergrothi* (Jakovlev)**

Salda bergrothi Jakovlev, 1893. Horae Soc. Entomol. Rossicae 27: 304 (Siberia).

Micracanthia ripula Drake, 1957. Bull. So. Calif. Acad. Sci. 56: 142 (Manitoba).

NEW SYNONYMY.

The examination of numerous specimens of *Micracanthia bergrothi* Jakovlev from Siberia (kindly furnished by I. M. Kerzhner) with a long series, including the type, of *Micracanthia ripula* Drake from several localities in Canada and the northern United States reveals that the two are synonymous.

***Saldula c-album* (Fieber)**

Salda c-album Fieber, 1859. Wiener Entomol. Monat. 3: 326 (Europe).

Polhemus and Chapman (1979, Family Saldidae in Menke, Bull. Calif. Ins. Surv. 21: 26) noted that *c-album* Fieber was considered by Lindskog (in litt.) to be a strictly Old World species. I have consulted further with Dr. Lindskog concerning this problem, examined additional Old World specimens of *c-album*, and concluded that this species should be stricken from the list of American species. The records of it in North America pertain instead to *Saldula saltatoria* (Linnaeus) 1758 or undescribed species (manuscript in preparation).

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